

HOUSE BILL 2913

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AN ACT to amend Chapter 304 of the Private Acts of 1982; as amended by Chapter 74 of the Private Acts of 2008; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Hawkins County Juvenile Court.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 304 of the Private Acts of 1982, as amended by Chapter 74 of the Private Acts of 2008, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Sections 6 and 7 and substituting instead:

SECTION 6. The Juvenile Court and the position of Juvenile Judge shall be funded by the Hawkins County Board of Commissioners on an annual basis by budget submitted thereto or as provided by law. The Judge of the Hawkins County Juvenile Court shall receive a salary equal to the compensation of the present General Sessions Judge of Hawkins County. Annual adjustments of the Juvenile Judge's salary shall be made at the same rate as the General Sessions Judge of Hawkins County.

SECTION 7. The Judge shall serve on a full-time, five-days-per-week basis, and shall hold court as many days per week as deemed necessary to cover the caseload of the Juvenile Court. The Juvenile Judge shall not be allowed to participate in the practice of law in all other courts within the court systems and is prohibited from performing legal services in other courts.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Hawkins County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.